

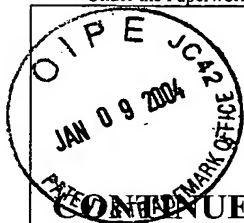
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**REQUEST
For
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Application Number	10/066,855
Filing Date	February 4, 2002
First Named Inventor	Hinz, et al.
Group Art Unit	1712
Examiner Name	Buttner, D.J.
Attorney Docket Number	IN-12073

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) to above will be entered.)

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Preliminary Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Petition for One-Month Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees**

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-2789.

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17

iii. ☒ Other Any addition fees

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$880.00 enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Randall L. Shoemaker	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	43,118
Signature		Date	January 9, 2004

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In re application of: Hinz et al.
Serial No.: 10/066,855
Group Art Unit: 1712
Filed: February 4, 2002
Examiner: Buttner, David J.
For: IMPORVED PROCESS FOR THE COPOLYMERIZATION OF
ALKYLENE OXIDES AND CARBON DIOXIDE USING
SUSPENSIONS OF MULTI METAL CYANIDE COMPOUNDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated, December 19, 2003, the subject Preliminary Amendment is being submitted in conjunction with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and a request for a one month extension of time.